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CASH IN ADVANCE

An optimist is one who expects the latest safety razor to be really better.

Any way, old business allows no more time to answer the question.

Alimony is another war debt a lot of ex-husbands would like to see cancelled.

The advantage in being obscure is that one isn't so likely to be investigated.

We gave Europe a year's moratorium. And now Europe will make its payments.

A scientist says a mosquito can fly 15 hours without alighting, but it seldom does.

It would be some compensation if we could believe a crooner feels as he sounds.

Slender figures are all right in men, but we don't desire that in our bank book.

It's just as well that an Illinois jury acquitted a man who weighs 674 pounds. They couldn't have gotten him into the jail anyway.

A teacher says dull pupils catch more than bright ones. But maybe the bright ones didn't let her catch them.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., says neither is the most powerful man in the world nor the most powerful man he ever knew. Most would find a billionaire dead interesting.

We doubt the wisdom of the suggestion that party platform should read: Some voters might read them.

We read that a man is no bigger than the things that make him mist. That would put a lot of us in the chigger class.

FIRST MEMORIAL DAY

Petersburg, Va., claims the distinction of being the originator of Memorial Day, now generally observed on one day or another throughout the United States.

On June 9, 1861, General Kantu with 20,000 Federal cavalry marched on Petersburg, then Confederate, except for a few Confederates, and was opposed by the Federalists and partially checked by the Federalists.

As the Federalists were charged with the defense of the city, the Federalists were charged with the defense of the city.

The next year on the first anniversary of the battle of the Federalists, the Federalists were charged with the defense of the city.

Commander of the G. A. R., happened to visit Petersburg on the anniversary of the battle of the Federalists, the Federalists were charged with the defense of the city.

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While Virginia observes the national day, May 30, Petersburg will keep its custom of decorating graves on June 1st, also, and having two memorial days each year.

According to the claim of that city the nationwide yearly tribute to the dead veterans of both North and South and its origin in the commemoration of the value of that heroic little band of soldiers, the Federalists, reformers.

HOW THE U. S. GREW

To those who have never taken the trouble to look into the matter it may be surprising to know that the area of the United States has been increased from 892,135 square miles in 1790 to 3,738,393 square miles at present.

Other additions of land were made in 1803, 1818, 1846, 1858, 1867, 1876, 1898, 1903, 1906, 1912, 1917, 1918, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029, 2030, 2031, 2032, 2033, 2034, 2035, 2036, 2037, 2038, 2039, 2040, 2041, 2042, 2043, 2044, 2045, 2046, 2047, 2048, 2049, 2050, 2051, 2052, 2053, 2054, 2055, 2056, 2057, 2058, 2059, 2060, 2061, 2062, 2063, 2064, 2065, 2066, 2067, 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FARMER JONES AND HIS COW PEN

BY W. M. BRUNSON

It has been rain and nothing but rain out on our farm during the past week. We have not been able to do anything on the outside except cut bushes, fix fences and put out plants. However, we have not lost much time as there is always a thousand things to be done around a farm that is properly cared for. We have been shelling peanuts, whipping out peas, fixing gates, cleaning out cribs, repairing tools, sharpening tools, beating the mules and dozens of other things. We have been noticing our neighbor across the road and he has been to town every day during the rainy weather. Not a single thing has been done around his farm since the rain started. It may be that he is trying to get some of that Red Cross flour they are giving away down town. Well, he may get some flour but he will never be a good farmer if he loses his rainy days. It takes all the days to make a good farmer and then you cannot do enough to brag about. Show me a man who loses his rainy days and I will show you a man who is in need of most everything.

Sallie wanted to go to town Saturday just to satisfy her mind about this flour business. I think she wanted to go and see for herself who is trying to get it. Well, she went and she got in eye full. She sat around the place where they do the work and listened to the folks as they talked about their affairs. When Sallie came home she was in a good frame of mind. She believed me, she certainly was right. I could do to just let her have as much as she wanted. She seemed to be mad about two things. She was mad about how some folks would go down and try to fake and get flour that was sent here for the needy and for was made with all the needy for the way they manage their business. Sallie wants this flour to go to those who are in need of it and who cannot help their condition. When you talk to her about some rich hotelier or young man who is healthy and strong and who has a wife and only one child, coming in and begging for flour she certainly does rave. Sallie thinks most folks are poor because they do not try to do better. Sallie says any family can have the necessities of life if they will just half try. But the thing that got Sallie's goat was listening to big strong men as they told about how they needed things. Just hundreds of them reported that they had no supplies to go on and no money, job or furnish for the year. Sallie thinks you will find a man in this condition, he either will not work, does not think or throws his money away. She says that any man can support his family with a bunch of chickens if he cannot do better. I believe Sallie is just finding that she knows very little about how other folks are getting along.

It certainly is wonderful for the Red Cross to send down so much

How are you coming on with your capon business? Well, I hope you have all your plans fixed up and that you will grow enough capons this year to pay off all your old debts. Everything I can hear about is going to the bottom except the prices on capons. So few people raise capons until the market is not likely to be crowded. I want every family in Coffee County to raise a few capons and I am hoping that Coffee County will be the capon capon county in a few years. Unless you try a few this year you will not be in a position to figure the profit and you might not join us next year. I want you to try a few and then next year we are going into it in a big way. If we get two dollars each for our capons this time and know how much it takes to grow them we can tell about the profit, and that is what we are after. If Ed Horne gets two dollars each for his capons next Spring he will have more clear money than he can possibly make on a two-horse farm. Won't you help me see to it that every man in your community sees this thing just a little?

Boys, right now is the time to plant your next garden if you have not already done so. Plant everything except English peas. Plant in a fresh land spot if you can. If you do have the fresh land, then plant in a damp place. But by all means be sure to keep on planting.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Mitchell, Jr., of Windham's Mill, were visitors to Elba Sunday.

Mrs. R. C. Bryan visited Mrs. A. M. Brock in Enterprise Monday.

Miss Louise Morgan is in Opp this week visiting friends.

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METHODIST W. M. S. OBSERVES GUEST DAY—
The Woman's Missionary Society met at the Methodist Church on Monday afternoon for the observance of "Guest Day."

The following program was given:
Piano Prelude, Largo—Handel—Mrs. W. M. Kingsford.
Hymn—279.
Theme: "The Loyalty of Jesus." Devotional, Matthew 24:45-50.
6:24—Mrs. Jack Lee.
Prayer—Mrs. Lillian Kingsford.
Talk, "Commander Evangelism"—Mrs. Booth—A World Leader—Mrs. W. R. Crook.
Reading—Mrs. Dana Perdus.
Talk, "What Prohibition Has Done For Disadvantaged Communities"—Mrs. Frances Farris.
Solo—Mrs. Lillian Kingsford.
Testimonies—7. 1. Commander Evangelism—Mrs. Booth—Mrs. Byron Mitchell.
Hymn—165.

A social hour followed the program. Refreshments were served to about 25 guests. The adjournment was with the waterworks.

SEWING CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. J. D. WHITMAN—
The sewing club met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. J. D. Whitman as hostess. White and yellow flowers were effectively used as the house decorations, the same colors being used in the refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Crook, who are in Greenville was a guest of the club.

A delightful afternoon was enjoyed by every one. Delicious cake and cream were served the guests.

SAND HILL NEWS
The health of this community is not so good at present. We are sorry to know that Woodrow Farris is on the sick list this week.

We are glad to know that Miss Myrtle Bell Hattaway, who recently underwent an operation at a Troy hospital, is able to be at home again, and is steadily improving.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wise and family, and Misses Bessie, Annie, Laura and Addie Lou Farris and Moore, Wilson, Francis and Woodrow Farris spent a while with Walter L. Farris and family Sunday night.

Mr. Horace Wyatt and family were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Wyatt and family.

Mrs. E. L. Eiland and children spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Eiland.

Mr. and Mrs. Levy Davis were the weekend guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. James Davis went to Elba shopping last Friday.

Several from this community attended the birthday dinner at Mr. Frank Danford's Sunday. The total number present was 69. Preaching services were held about 11 noon hour a large table was spread.

To see that large table brimming with food things to eat would make one think that this talk about depression was all nonsense.

It was a treat to see the way that Joel Lunsford and Pat Mauldin ate. Some doubt if they will care to go to another birthday dinner soon. About 3:30 o'clock Rev. S. Mauldin delivered a wonderful message to a large crowd.

There will be preaching at Beth-El Sunday. Everyone is invited to come and bring some one with you.

Mr. Fred Folsom was down from Montgomery Sunday visiting home folks. He has moved to Montgomery, as his territory embraces Montgomery and four other counties surrounding it.

Roy Hutchison of Florida is visiting his sister, Mrs. Varnie Wright, this week.

Mrs. J. L. Young is very much improved after a serious illness from erysipelas.

Mrs. J. C. McLeod is spending this week in Opp.

Harold English has returned from a visit to Columbia.

County Agent W. M. Ray was over from Enterprise Monday morning. He reported that while the recent rains had made the fields very wet, very little damage had been done by washing and that very few plants had been damaged.

Miss Emma Margaret Cooper, Marguerite Franklin, Nell Gardner Clark and Jean Brock were guests of Miss Katie Sue Stephens at her home in Opp during the weekend. While there they were pleasantly entertained at a spend-the-night party.

Mrs. Frank Rainer and daughter, Mary Jane, are visiting relatives in Hayneville.

Mrs. Anna Peacock and daughter, Miss Mildred, visited Mrs. Comer Devane last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cooper of Brantley were visitors to Elba Monday.

Attend the murder trial at the Methodist Church, Sunday, 2:30.

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PRAYER OF A BEAT 20 FARMER

The Clipper has received the following prayer from a prominent Beat 20 farmer:
Thou knowest that when wheat was \$2 a bushel and I had flour and sugar in the house and cake and pie every time I wanted them, I was not satisfied, and I voted for a change.

Thou knowest I wore a Hoover badge and was faithful in all things to the C. O. P. E.

Even so, Thou knowest that I believe in the dawn of a day that I would get \$3 for my wheat and 20c for my work.

Lord, two years have gone by never to return and I am too poor to buy the necessary Rockefeller for my Henry, and I still wear a Hoover badge, but it is on the seat of my overalls.

Lord, I am thankful for one thing, and that is, Hoover has been able to make common rabbits taste good in Summer time.

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